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LONDON FOR ASST SECRETARY MOOSE

AF FOR AMBASSADOR SPAIN

CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDEV, RH, UK, TZ
SUBJECT: RHODESIA: TANZANIA URGES RENEWED MOMENTUM OF
OF ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS

1. FORNMINISTER MKAPA SUMMONED ME TO HIS OFFICE TODAY AND ASKED ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS. HE SAID TANGOV WAS INCREASINGLY WORRIED ABOUT ATTEMPTED INTERNAL SETTLEMENT THE LONGER SALISBURY TALKS CONTINUED, ESPECIALLY WITHOUT "VISIBLE AND VIGOROUS" ACTION ON THE ANGLO-AMERICAN FRONT.

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2. I REPLIED THAT WE SAW STATUS AS SPRING-LOADED TO MOVE AHEAD FOLLOWING PF ACCEPTANCE OF OWEN INVITATION FOR MEETING. AS WE HAD BRIEFED TANGOV BEFORE, WE ARE NOT DEAD IN THE WATER. CARVER/CHAND TALKS IN MAPUTO HAD BEEN POSITIVE (I NOTED THEY HAD BEEN RESENTED IN SALISBURY). FURTHER, ASST SECRETARY MOOSE WAS IN LONDON FOR TALKS WITH OWEN IN EFFORT TO ENSURE MEETING WITH PF WOULD BE SERIOUS AND PRODUCTIVE, ONCE IT

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OCCURRED. IT WAS IMPORTANT NOW TO GET PF TO THE MEETING AND
IN A SERIOUS FRAME OF MIND.

3. MKAPA AGREED, AND SAID HE WAS LEAVING FOR MAPUTO TODAY WITH
THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF GETTING THE PF TO DO JUST THAT. HE ONLY
HOPED NKOMO WOULD STILL BE THERE. TANGOV WAS INCREASINGLY
EXASPERATED WITH PF'S CONTINUING INABILITY TO COOPERATE --
"NKOMO AND MUGABE SEEM UNABLE EVEN TO STAY TOGETHER IN THE SAME
PLACE FOR MORE THAN A FEW DAYS." MOREVOER, MKAPA ADDED, ONE
DOUBTS IF PF LEADERS HAVE EVER SERIOUSLY STUDIED THE ANGLO-
AMERICAN PROPOSALS IN THE DETAIL THAT MACHEL HAS DONE. IN ANY
EVENT, HE INTENDED TO PUSH HARD ON PF IN MAPUTO AND ASKED THAT
WE "CONTINUE TO PRESSURE THE BRITISH". WHEN I ASKED IF HE HAD
ANYTHING PARTICULARLY IN MIND SINCE BRITISH READY TO MEET WITH PF
AND TALK SERIOUSLY, HE SAID "KEEP THEM ON COURSE". MKAPA
PRESENTLY PLANS RETURN DAR ES SALAAM SUNDAY, 22 JANUARY -- DATE
OF EARLIEST COMMERCIAL RETURN FLIGHT, HE SAID.

4. COMMENT: ANXIETY ABOUT MOMENTUM THAT MKAPA SPOKE ABOUT
HAS BEEN VOICED BY NYERERE IN RECENT STATEMENTS -- E.G., DAR
ES SALAAM 115. TIME IS RIPE FOR THE KIND OF BRIEFING OF NYERERE
THAT DICK MOOSE SUGGESTED IN PARA 6 OF LONDON 40869. (AS
DEPARTMENT AWARE, CHARGE SCHEDULED TO SEE NYERERE 23 JANUARY
WHEN HE TAKES ACTION DIRECTOR BROWN TO BUTIAMA TO DISCUSS
PROSPECTS FOR PEACE CORPS RE-ENTRY. NOTE: NYERERE EXPECTED
TO REMAIN FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS IN BUTIAMA -- SOME 500 MILES FROM
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DAR.) THE MORE SPECIFIC WE CAN BE IN TELLING NYERERE WHAT WE
WANT TO TALK ABOUT WITH PF AND ESPECIALLY WHAT ACTION WE
ENVISAGE AS NEXT STEPS FOLLOWING THE MEETING, THE BETTER FOR
INCREASING HIS PRESSURE ON PF TO ATTEND WITH SERIOUS PURPOSE
OR, FAILING THAT, FOR NYERERE TO MOVE ON WITH US WITH WHOEVER
ELSE GETS ON BOARD.

5. A FINAL POINT. WE ASSUME OUR TELLING FL PRESIDENTS THAT
"WE COULD NOT, WITHOUT THEIR ASSISTANCE, CARRY (OUR PROPOSALS)
FURTHER" AND NOTION OF "PUBLISHING ALL" WITH HISTORY OF OUR
EFFORTS (LONDON 40869) DO NOT REPRESENT A TAKE-IT-OR-LEAVE-IT
APPROACH THAT WAS BEING CONSIDERED LAST NOVEMBER. EMBASSY
CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT SUCH AN APPROACH IS INADVISABEL FOR
REASONS AMBASSADOR SPAIN GAVE BEFORE (77 DAR 4828). THUS, OUR
APPROACH IN ANY MEETING WITH PF AND SUBSEQUENT TALKS WITH FL
PBESIDENTS SHOULD BE CONSULTATIVE IN SPIRIT ALTHOUGH ACTION
ORIENTED IN PURPOSE.
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